UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO

In re:

THE FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT AND MANAGEMENT BOARD FOR PUERTO RICO,

as representative of

THE COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO, et al.,

Debtors.¹

PROMESA Title III

No. 17 BK 3283-LTS

Re: ECF Nos. 20615, 20739

(Jointly Administered)

<u>URGENT CONSENSUAL MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF DEADLINES</u>

To the Honorable United States District Judge Laura Taylor Swain:

The Puerto Rico Fiscal Agency and Financial Advisory Authority ("<u>AAFAF</u>"), on behalf of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (the "<u>Commonwealth</u>"), pursuant to the authority granted to it under the *Enabling Act of the Fiscal Agency and Financial Advisory Authority*, Act 2-2017, respectfully submits this urgent consensual motion (the "<u>Urgent Motion</u>") for entry of an order, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A** (the "<u>Proposed Order</u>"), extending the

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The Debtors in these Title III Cases, along with each Debtor's respective Title III case number and the last four (4) digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, as applicable, are the (i) Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-3283- LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3481); (ii) Puerto Rico Sales Tax Financing Corporation ("COFINA") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-3284-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 8474); (iii) Puerto Rico Highways and Transportation Authority ("HTA") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-3567-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3808); (iv) Employees Retirement System of the Government of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico ("ERS") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-3566-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 9686); (v) Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority ("PREPA") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-4780-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3747); and (vi) Puerto Rico Public Buildings Authority ("PBA") (Bankruptcy Case No. 19-BK-5523-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3801) (Title III case numbers are listed as Bankruptcy Case numbers due to software limitations).

deadlines set forth in the *Order Granting Urgent Consensual Motion for Extension of Deadlines* [ECF No. 20739] (the "Scheduling Order").²

Request for Relief

- 1. On April 26, 2022, Raúl A. Darauche Andújar ("Movant") filed the *Urgent Motion* for Relief of Stay [ECF No. 20615] (the "Motion"), requesting that the Court enter an order allowing him to continue an employment discrimination case against the Puerto Rico Telecommunications Regulatory Board currently pending before the Puerto Rico Commission for Appeals of Public Service ("CASP" for its initials in Spanish), under Case No. 2004-08-0190. See Motion at p. 6.
- 2. On May 11, 2022, the Court entered the Scheduling Order, which provides that responses to the Motion must be filed by May 24, 2022, and Movant's reply by May 31, 2022.
- 3. The Commonwealth continues to evaluate the relevant information in connection with the allegations and relief requested in the Motion to determine whether a consensual resolution is possible. Accordingly, with the Movant's consent, the Commonwealth proposes the following extensions of the deadlines set forth in the Scheduling Order:
 - The deadline to respond to the Motion shall be extended to **June 7, 2022**.
 - The deadline for Movant to file a reply to a response, if any, shall be extended to June
 14, 2022.
- 4. Pursuant to Paragraph I.H of the *Sixteenth Amended Notice, Case Management and Administrative Procedures* [ECF No. 20190-1] (the "<u>Case Management Procedures</u>"), the Commonwealth hereby certifies that it has carefully examined the matter and concluded that there

The Financial Oversight and Management Board for Puerto Rico, as the Commonwealth's representative pursuant to section 315(b) of the *Puerto Rico Oversight, Management, and Economic Stability Act* ("PROMESA"), has authorized the Department of Justice to file this Urgent Motion on behalf of the Commonwealth.

is a true need for an urgent motion; it has not created the urgency through any lack of due diligence; has made a bona fide effort to resolve the matter without a hearing; has made reasonable, goodfaith communications in an effort to resolve or narrow the issues that are being brought to the Court, and Movant consents to the request in this urgent motion.

Notice

- 5. The Commonwealth has provided notice of this motion in accordance with the Case Management Procedures to the following parties: (a) the Office of the United States Trustee for the District of Puerto Rico; (b) the indenture trustees and/or agents, as applicable, for the Debtors' bonds; (c) the entities on the list of creditors holding the 20 largest unsecured claims against COFINA; (d) counsel to the statutory committees appointed in these Title III cases; (e) the Office of the United States Attorney for the District of Puerto Rico; (f) counsel to the Oversight Board; (g) the Puerto Rico Department of Justice; (h) all parties filing a notice of appearance in these Title III cases; and (i) Movant. A copy of the motion is also available on the Commonwealth's case website at https://cases.primeclerk.com/puertorico/.
- 6. The Commonwealth submits that, in light of the nature of the relief requested, no other or further notice need be given.

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WHEREFORE the Commonwealth requests the Court enter the Proposed Order and grant

such other relief as is just and proper.

Dated: May 24, 2022 San Juan, Puerto Rico

Respectfully submitted,

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Proposed Order